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Shell campaign takes the nation by storm!

Background

About HLS

Huntingdon Life Sciences (HLS) is a contract animal testing laboratory. They test weedkillers, pesticides, drugs and household products on animals to enable big businesses to get their products on the market quickly and cheaply. HLS has been exposed five times in the last ten years for animal cruelty and incompetence. We proved them to be breaking the law on many occasions, but the government still do nothing.

About SHAC

SHAC was set up at the end of 1999 by the same activists who set up campaigns to close down Consort beagle breeders and Hillgrove cat farm. The campaign has grown since then with a huge mailing list, hundreds of hits on the website every day and constant national publicity.

By targetting shareholders, stockbrokers and bankers, SHAC has caused a collapse in HLS's shares. Merrill Lynch, Charles Schwab, Winterflood Securities and Royal Bank of Scotland are among the institutions that have severed links with the firm. More recently, customers have been pulling out of HLS.

SHAC will never turn its back on the animals in HLS. This is why the animal rights movement has pulled together and is targetting HLS both locally and internationally - the animals have no one else but us. We will not fail them.

Cover story: One of many innovative demonstrations against Shell taking place across the country. See page 8

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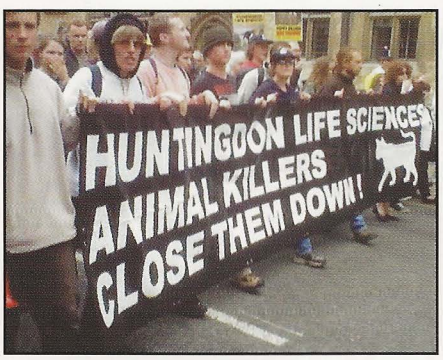


Editorial

Since the last newsletter HLS has been dragged kicking and screaming back onto the high street. Demos against Shell are happening week in week out across the length and breadth of the country. In just six weeks over 125 000 leaflets, 100 000 stickers and thousands of A2 posters have been distributed, stuck up and fly-posted ensuring that more and more people know about the filthy connection between Shell and HLS.

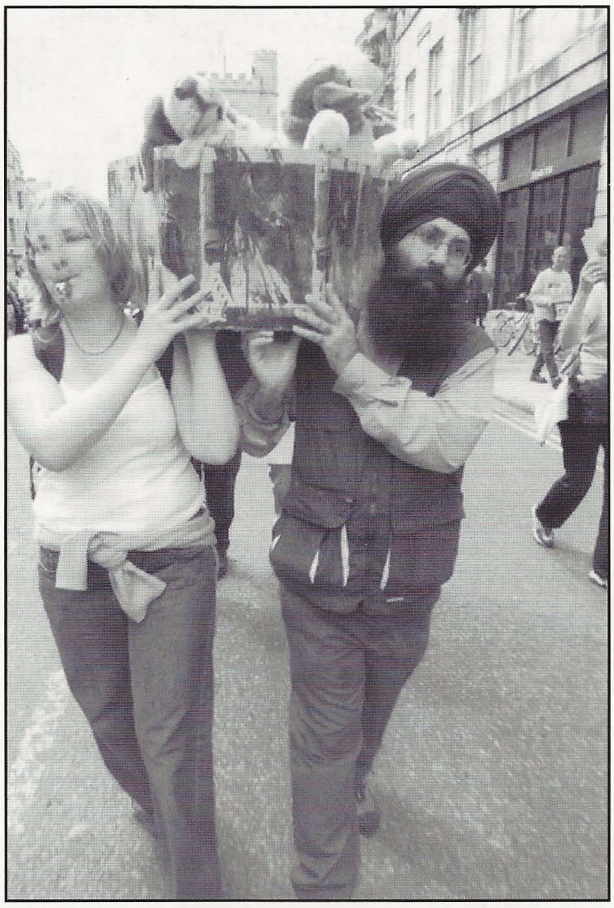
The response has been amazing, many of you have commented that it has been a long time since such a good response from the public has been seen – people have been driving away from Shell garages in droves, vowing never to return. Shell must be losing huge amounts of money and they are rapidly serving as an example of what happens to you when you involve yourself with HLS. We need to build up the pressure and keep HLS right under the spotlight where they hate it the most.

Support for the campaign has been flooding in from all over the world in recent weeks and, growing from SHAC-USA's Day of Action on October 29th, many activists overseas have decided to take action against HLS in their countries on that date. There will be a national action happening in the UK and your support will be needed. If you can't make it, organise your own local event. October 29th is a day to show HLS, their investors and their customers that wherever they are in the world we will get at them and grind them down.

SHAC would like to say a big thankyou to everyone who has attended the last national demos and made them the large events that they should be. They have received good press coverage and put our point across to thousands of people in Britain. As you may know, we have been communicating with the police on the last demos to ensure that we can march where we want to march. On the last national demo when it came to the crunch, Thames Valley police ignored the agreements we had with them, making everyone feel very upset to see aggressive police officers abusing animals and people.

To avoid these matters on the next national demonstration, we would like everyone to ring in with their mobile numbers so that if the police try any funny business, we will change our plans in protest.

Activists on the streets of Oxford



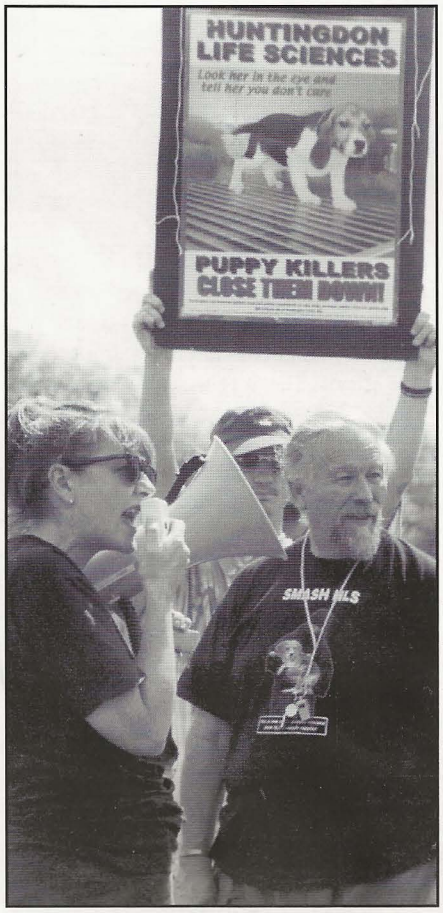
On 11th August, more than 1000 demonstrators marched from Oxpens Recreation Ground in Oxford to Yamanouchi in Littlemore to show their anger at their links with HLS. SHAC and other campaigns held stalls at the meeting point before activists got fired up with speeches from John Curtin, Amanda from Save the Newchurch Guinea Pigs, Steve Beddard and Bev from SHAC.

The long march through Oxford city centre to Yamanouchi was headed by the infamous SHAC banner and a coffin to symbolise the animals in HLS who long for the day HLS crumbles. The march moved off, despite Thames Valley police's usual boring public order speeches. As we marched through Oxford town centre, shoppers stopped and stared in amazement, hundreds of leaflets were given out and most of Oxford was stickered. The noise was immense and many locals joined the march and came all the way to Yamanouchi.

Thames Valley police (still in Hillgrove mode – get with it, we've moved on) broke their prior agreements with SHAC about using evidence gatherers and at one point, activists sat down in protest. They also brought in horses when they lost pace with the march - another breached condition. Next time there will be no warning Thames Valley! Once the march had left the town centre the police seized the opportunity to release their aggression. They charged the clearly distressed horses into the crowd, injuring activists. They were their usual racist selves - assaulting and picking out anyone with black skin. A breakaway group slipped away down a side-street continuing the demonstration away from the insignificant police.

After a long walk, the demonstrators descended on Yamanouchi Research Institute which was already swarming with press and police. There were more speeches including Robin Webb and Dawn from SHAC. There were many new faces who took their chance to meet other like-minded people and were inspired to act against HLS and the dirty businesses who prop them up. The props are becoming weak and rotten and will crumble as they always have done.

Yamanouchi was prepared to pay HLS to break beagles legs and refuses to talk about their connections with HLS. With local press covering the demo and coverage on national BBC news and Sky News, these facts are becoming more apparent to the public and Yamanouchi's name is being dragged through the mud. This demonstration showed a movement prepared to take on HLS and the evil who try to hide behind them. Watch out Yamanouchi – people now know how evil you are and where to find you. United we stand, divided they fall.



News in Brief

Shell gets personal

Recently a Shell director wrote a personal letter to one of our supporters stating that Shell has funded four studies at HLS since 1999. He considered this to be a small amount of experiments! He also stated that Shell was with HLS in 1997 when Channel 4 revealed staff punching dogs at HLS.

Aventis in a flap

A source within Aventis recently leaked us a fax that had been sent round Aventis warning that unknown callers had been contacting various parts of the company requesting personal information on people and confidential company info. The fax went on to insist that no information is given out to unknown callers about anything and to imply that SHAC was behind these mystery phone calls, paranoid or what!

Bayer BAYER

HLS customer kills humans

On 7th August, Bayer withdrew its anti-cholesterol drug Baycol in response to the drug causing 52 deaths and many hundreds suffering serious side effects. The drug works by breaking down cholesterol and has also been found to break down other body tissues, leading to major organ failure and resulting in death. Below is a list of symptoms that this type of drug causes: liver failure, hepatitis, stomach pain, nausea, vomiting, insomnia, anorexia, hair loss, impotence, chest pain, high and low sugar levels, back pain, muscle pain, influenza type symptoms, skin rash, fatigue, anaemia, dizziness, head pains, depression, jaundice and pancreatitis. The chairman of Bayer said, "There are always risks in taking drugs"! Patients in the UK and US are now suing Bayer for billions of pounds.

Customers and investors given hell at City demo

On Wednesday 22nd August, 40 protestors met up at Liverpool Street for what was the noisiest and liveliest City demo in ages. Protestors travelled by tube and headed for the premises of HLS customer Eisai who are based in the grounds of the University College of London on Gower Street. All the way from the tube the stupid City cops ran ahead of us trying to get into the doorway of almost every business and shop, as they didn't have a clue where we were going!

> Protestors were grabbed and thrown out but others got inside

People made a run for it and got in through the gates of HLS customer, Eisai, making a load of noise and causing the police to panic. Some protestors were grabbed and thrown out, but others got inside the compound before being removed. The police spent the rest of the demo checking students' ID passes and stopping anyone trying to get onto the campus.

After a rowdy demo, protestors moved on to give the Wellcome Trust hell, this organisation publicly supports filthy animal killers, such as HLS, by funding pro-vivisection adverts, HOW DARE THEY!

Next stop was Novartis at 5 Gower Place. Police lined the streets and stopped us going near the place (the last time they were visited, people forced their way in and occupied their labs and offices for ages). We made our presence felt (and heard), there can't have been many people in the vicinity who didn't know we were there and why!

Merck at 4 Harley Street was next and their posh neighbours looked none too impressed at our arrival. Oh dear! Did we lower the tone? Merck workers were watching helplessly from the roof as we took the opportunity to inform everyone of their dirty dealings with HLS.

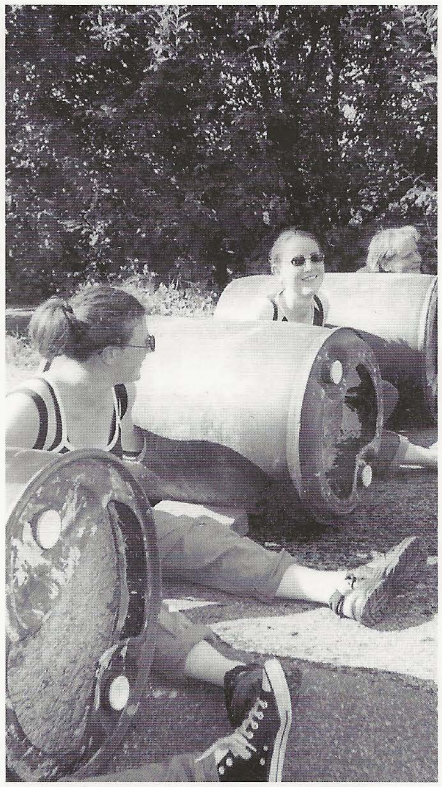
Workers at the Shell Centre lined up at the windows on every floor to watch our approach over their bridge. Protestors split up, wandering all over the site, banging on windows and trying door handles. Using megaphones we told visitors and employees that Shell was closed for the day because they are animal killers; causing Shell as much stress and annoyance as possible.

Finally, we moved on to Stephens Inc. at Green Park to finish what had been a brilliant day - six different HLS supporting companies targetted.

MAKE SURE YOU'RE ON THE NEXT ONE!

HLS workers blocked in for four hours

On 26th July ten activists arrived at the gates of HLS determined to greet the workers in style...



We arrived at 4.00pm, quickly pushing seven concrete filled barrels out of two trucks – one outside the main gates and the other further up at Woolley Road. The lone policeman standing at the gates was flabbergasted, but did not manage to stop us from setting up the blockade. As the other group was setting up, a man arrived to pick up a worker, he stopped and gave them a helping hand, telling them it was brilliant! Even the workers' relatives hate them! As soon as the barrels were in position, we locked-on with our arms inside the specially encased piping and got as comfortable as possible, while waiting for the vermin to show their ugly faces. Our timing could not have been better as Anglia TV were filming at HLS – we had a few words to say to them about the hellhole.

Police backup arrived: several police cars and riot vans, and a helicopter. They looked at us confused, not having a clue what to do. The police dithered about, pleading with us to stop obstructing the road. Of course we refused – there was no way the scum waiting to go home were going to have an easy night. The first of the workers headed home on foot – much to their annoyance, telling us how inconvenient it had been - shame. The rest of the workers waited inside as we hurled abuse over the fence. Cass lurked about at the gate trying to look competent in front of Anglia TV, but failed miserably. More press arrived who were rushing about excitably, much to the annoyance of Cass. Anglia TV interviewed us over why we were there and filmed the few workers coming out on foot who faced a barrage of abuse. As one of the workers attempted to walk past us, they tripped up on the verge, causing much hilarity.

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Three and a half hours later, the police decided to attempt to move the middle barrel with two protestors still attached to it, using a makeshift lift. They clearly did not know what they were doing and a fellow protestor stood by, keeping watch to make sure no arms were broken. After much struggling and screaming the police made a very narrow gap for the workers to escape through.The remaining workers were then allowed to go home and as they drove slowly through the narrow gap, we gave them one last reminder at how sick in the head they are. Cass, one of the last to leave at 9pm, looked really gutted.

Rumour has it that since this demonstration, all vehicles are stopped by police from 4.00pm, checking for barrels! This is certainly causing more inconvenience for deliveries and workers trying to go home. Yet more signs that siege mentality is setting in.

Bank of New York in security blunder

"Our security is amongst the best in the world."

Hot on the heels of a BNY director's yacht being sunk by activists in the US came another shock for BNY . Just when they thought that they were safe, locked inside their offices behind their extra security measures, came the latest twist in the campaign against them.

A web site was launched containing an extensive amount of internal documentation on clients of the BNY. Information such as access codes, to account information was there for everyone and anyone (including computer hackers!) in the world to see and down load!

Such a great deal of information on many high profile BNY clients such as Thomas Cook, Peoples' Republic of China, Central Bank of China, Essex County Council, Somerset County Council, Shell, Unilever and Eli Lilly being leaked, must have left BNY and their clients with serious concerns regarding the confidentiality of their investments.

The documents also list BNY staff names handling the different accounts and internal telephone and fax numbers. Bizarrely, the Bank of New York's statement, when informed that these documents had fallen into the hands of SHAC said, "Our security is amongst the best in the world". Clearly this is not the case!

Protestors fight primate lab

On Saturday 18th August about 100 activists demonstrated at 307 Huntingdon Road to protest against Cambridge University's application for planning permission for a Primate Research Laboratory.

The permission was refused on the grounds that they wanted to build the lab on green belt land. However they have applied again with the support of Lord Sainsbury. The campaign to stop the lab desperately needs your help. After all, we've got enough animal abusers to cope with in the area already.

After the demo in Cambridge, activists made their way to HLS to let the scum know what they thought of them. Protesters were enraged with anger knowing that these workers are not pen pushers – weekend workers are poison pushers. They give up their weekend to poison the animals at HLS. There are no weekends off for the animals who are being tortured in that hell hole and these workers are amongst the most evil scum who work there. The demonstrators held a very loud demo with megaphones, air horns, whistles, hunting horns and drums. Everyone screamed at the workers as they came out.

HLS scum were given a clear message of how much they are hated and how evil they are. They were also reminded of one major fact, "we always win". Justice for the animals is around the corner. You are finished HLS.

p the primate lab being built send letters of protest to Mr D B Russell, irector, South Cambridgeshire District Council, 9-11 Hills Road, Cambridge

Quote ref no S/1756/00F
Please write in your own words. Some points worth remembering are listed below:

1. It's still green belt land.
2. The planning committee should not be swayed by the intervention of Lord Sainsbury and the pressure his dept are trying to apply. He should not be abusing his powers.
3. Traffic disruption at the junction of the M11, A45 and A14 because of animal rights protests.
4. They have promoted the new complex by saying it will be screened by trees to improve the appearance, but HLS have cut down all their trees and erected razor wire fences and cameras. Hardly picturesque.

Although the deadline of the 21/8/01 has passed, a decision is being made in October and all letters received before that must be considered.

SHAC on the net

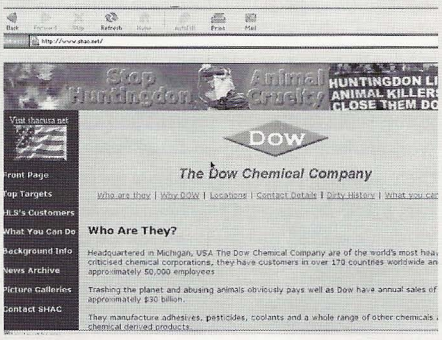
If you have access to the internet and want to find out the latest news concerning the campaign to close down Huntingdon Life Sciences then why not check out our website at www.shac.net?

For some time now the website has been an excellent source of background information on HLS as well as covering news, actions and demonstrations. The site is updated on an almost daily basis and has a comprehensive news archive going back 17 months. This has led to the popularity of the website growing steadily over the past year to the current figure of about 800 visits a day.

What's New
Recently there have been a few changes and additions to the website including:

- Michelle Rokke's Diaries have been added, they are a diary of events inside HLS' US laboratory when she worked there as an undercover investigator.
- A comprehensive list of HLS' customers which includes some background to each customer listed.
- Also the top targets of SHAC which lists the customers which have been our main focus recently and why.

Companies checking out our website!
If you take a look at the list of visitors to the website many interesting names pop up. It seems they are worried about who will be targeted next. The following all visited the SHAC website several times in one day alone:
HLS, Shell, Roche, Chase Manhatten, Chiron, Bristol Myers Squibb, Glaxo Smithkline, Dow, Aventis, Rhone Poulenc Rorer, Eli Lilly, BNY, Novartis, Global Asset Management, Astra Zeneca, Yamanouchi and finally Surrey police force!



Your part in the website
As more SHAC supporters have been grouping together and forming local groups, we have been receiving local reports on their demonstrations. You can become a part of shac.net by sending in any reports on what you have done lately in the fight against HLS. We like to get reports on the web as soon as possible so if you are going to send one in, send it in promptly! Email your reports to info@shac.net. If you have got any photos to go with your action please email them as well.

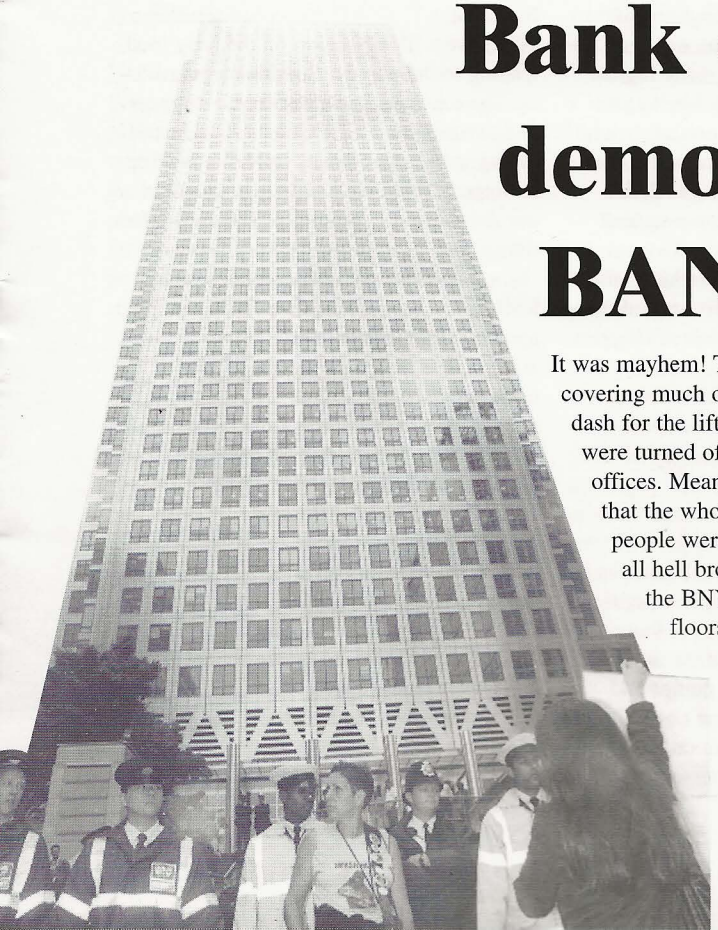
The website is an important tool to use for press, HLS' supporters and other animal rights groups. Please help us keep it up to date and informative.

Animal pirates sink yacht!

On 25th of July SHAC received the following anonymous communiqué from a newly formed American group, Pirates for Animal Liberation:

Arghh Matee'
In the wee hours of Tuesday, July 24th, we paid a visit to the home of Brian G Rogan, President of Capital Markets to The Bank of New York, Plum Point Rd. in Sands Point, LI, NY. 20 holes were drilled in the right side of his 30 foot yacht, and one 6inch by 6inch hole was sawed through the right hull.
Various workings of the boat were also tampered with. As the boat began to take on water it was cut loose and pushed out to sea, we left before confirming whether or not the boat sunk. Both the boat and his personal dock were left covered with painted slogans denouncing BNY's involvement with Huntingdon Life Sciences, the largest reading "Money means nothing- Life means everything". Upon escape, we cut through his estate to his personal Flag Pole. His Amerikkkan Flag was lowered and discarded like the trash it is, and replaced with the only flag that matters, a pirate flag! For the 500 lives lost today at HLS, and for our brother Carlos Guliani who was shot and killed this week, protesting at the Group of Eight Summit in Genoa, our hearts bleed for you!
The P.A.L. - Pirates for Animal Liberation - HLS thar she blows!

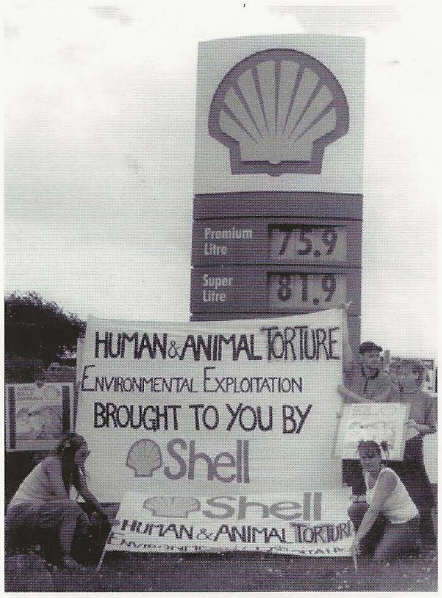
Bank of New York demo goes off with a BANG!



It was mayhem! Twenty activists stormed Canary Wharf (home of BNY) and split into groups covering much of the building. Activists pushed past guards and jumped barriers making a dash for the lifts to floor 49. Some got into the lifts and one activist got up to floor 49. Lifts were turned off and entrances were sealed as activists kept trying to get back into the offices. Meanwhile protestors inside were blasting megaphones and air horns making sure that the whole building knew what the Bank of New York are involved in. Suddenly, as people were pushing their way in through shopping centre entrances by Canary Wharf, all hell broke loose as huge fireworks began to explode outside the main entrances to the BNY. Bang after bang blew into the air as workers from right up on the top floors stood staring in horror. It was like a war zone! The amount of disruption caused was immense and it was made clear to everyone before the demonstration ended, that every time SHAC come to the area it will become more and more chaotic. By the time all the protestors had left, the police had sectioned off the area outside the main entrance.

Shell camp the nation

When it came to light that Shell use HLS to test chemicals such as food packaging and detergents, it brought them directly into SHAC's line of fire. Animal rights groups all over the country have been targetting Shell on a regular basis in many different ways. Here are some of the actions against Shell that happened over the last month:



Liverpool
Fifteen activists from Liverpool targetted their local Shell petrol station. Several of the protestors decided to occupy the shop, whilst others blocked the forecourt.

Staff moved swiftly to close the shop and proceeded to serve the few customers, who managed to dodge their way through the barrage of protestors, through the night hatch. A very positive response was received from the public and many regular customers vowed never to use Shell again.

Some time later, the five protestors who had entered the shop were arrested for conspiracy to cause criminal damage! Police alleged that the shop was left in a state of disarray, with stickers and leaflets everywhere, that there was contamination to the pick and mix, and that the activists had played mini football with a pack of Huggies nappies (!?!)

The demonstrators left with a strong sense of public support and vowed that this was only a taste of the forthcoming hell for Shell!

Manchester
Twelve of us toured several Shell garages in the Manchester area, armed with a megaphone, placards, stickers and a six foot white rabbit. At one petrol station, angered by the stickering to the shop, pumps and forecourt, the manageress came out and pushed one protestor, then spat on another- all in front of four police witnesses! She is due to appear in court for assault!

Apart from that isolated incident, the day went smoothly and peacefully. This brief tour served as a polite introduction to Shell, to let them know we're here and we mean business. Next time we won't be so polite.

Plymouth
Thirty of us ran into the forecourt and someone turned off the electricity to the petrol pumps via the fireman's switch. Workers did not know what buttons had been pressed so customers could not buy petrol. We found metal wheelie bins to the side of the garage and we placed them in the entrances of the garage preventing anybody from entering.

On top of this, petrol pumps were locked with padlocks, thanks to an activist who used to work in a petrol station! It took about 20 minutes for the police to arrive, and when they did, they did not do much. They opened the garage but they couldn't remove the padlocks! At this point we thought it was a good time to leave safe in the knowledge that customers would probably be turned away for the rest of the day whilst police scratched their heads!

Swansea
We chose a filling station on the busy road leading to the popular South Gower beaches. The road was packed with day-trippers and at times the traffic came to a standstill giving us the opportunity to leaflet waiting motorists. There were only four of us but our demo was highly visible and very effective.

All but a handful of customers took leaflets and many turned away. One woman apologised for buying fuel at Shell, her tank was empty and she was desperate, but she promised to boycott them in future. Throughout the demo there were toots of support from passing motorists. Since then we have had several demos and all have been very successful.

Newcastle upon Tyne
We decided to make the Shell day of action into a whole weekend of action

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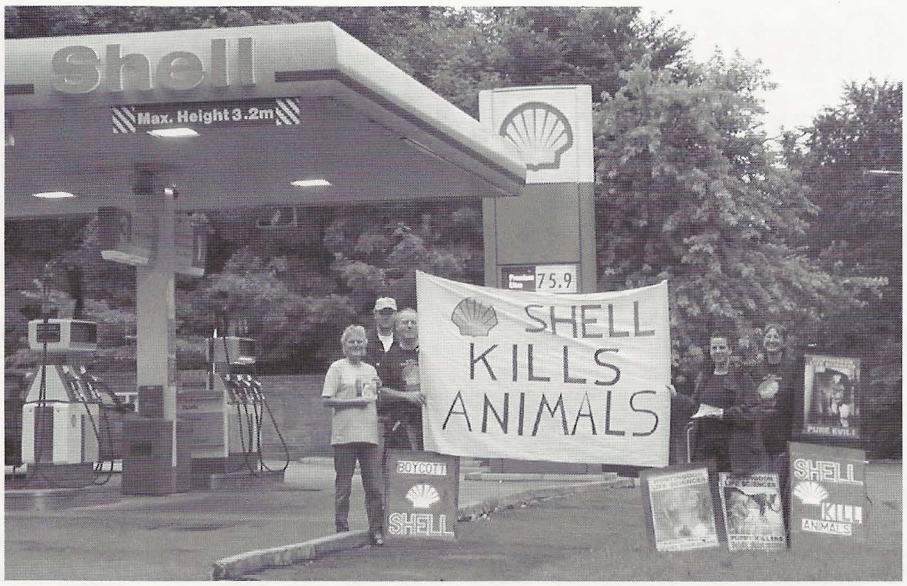


and kicked it off with a rooftop demo on top of a Shell garage on the Friday, in order to gain media coverage and get the message across to as many people as possible. It was situated on a really busy road and the two on the roof were able to stay up there for about 7 hours. One person was on the ground in order to speak to the Shell staff, police and to hand out leaflets to the public. The staff were immediately given one of our leaflets and an explanation as to why their roof was now the focus of all the traffic driving past.

One of the futile attempts to get the two down from the roof was a lone police officer who asked them to get down as the Shell staff were worried that they might come through the roof!!

The police soon arrived and seemed quite sympathetic and after a short jovial discussion, they left, seeming quite happy with what we were doing.

On the Saturday, we did a Shell demo in the early evening. The Sunday saw us do a tour of the Shell garages in the North East. We ended up doing 7 all in all and it was a really worthwhile day.

Many cars simply turned away vowing never to buy petrol from Shell again. Also many of the staff of the garages were very sympathetic.

Northamptonshire

Seven of us from the Northampton area picketed three shell petrol stations throughout the day. A large banner was erected at the entrance to each station and a megaphone was used to great effect informing motorists of Shell's links with HLS as well as their appalling environmental and human rights record. The response from almost everyone was supportive except one irate station manager at Finedon who almost ran a protestor over and then in his fury sprayed petrol over his own car before wheel spinning off the forecourt to loud jeers and laughter. We will be returning!

Ireland

Several of us from Ireland's Animal Rights Action Network (ARAN) managed to close a local Shell petrol station at 4.50pm - when the station normally closes at 10.00pm. Two of us dropped a banner over the roof, whilst others on the ground, blockaded cars into the station and stuck stickers on the pumps around the forecourt. With a megaphone, some of us told customers of Shell who could not get fuelled up why it is important that everyone boycotts Shell. Over 300 leaflets were given out and media and radio coverage was great for the day.

Shell's response

It has come to light that Shell head office has faxed all Shell garages with instructions on what to do if demonstrators arrive. The main points of the fax were:

- Call Shell Head office.
- Call the police.
- Don't get into any argument with any demonstrator.
- Be prepared to lock some or all pumps
- Be prepared to lock buildings, if necessary.
- Be prepared to close the petrol station and finish early.
- Don't leave any objects around that could be used in a dangerous way, e.g. hoses - make sure they are locked away in a building.

The fax did not state why people would be protesting so it seems Shell do not even want their employees knowing what offensive practices they are involved with.

A message to the staff of Shell

SHAC would like to point out that we are not angry with forecourt staff, but with the management of Shell and we urge all Shell staff to complain and put pressure on Shell to sever all links with HLS. All internal Shell documents and other information will be gratefully received and can of course be sent to SHAC anonymously.

The next local Shell day is on Sunday 30th September. See www.shac.net for a list of your local Shell garages.

Participate in the other Shell diary dates listed on page 14.

Send us your demo reports and photos so we can include them in the newsletter and on the website.

Contact us for Shell leaflets, posters or stickers, listed on p.15.

Customers Cracking: Four dump HLS in three weeks!

HLS recently lost four customers in three weeks after SHAC stepped up our efforts to force them to dump HLS and publicly distance themselves from the animal abuse taking place inside the hellhole.

First on the list was **Tate and Lyle**. On 5th August they were exposed in the national media for their part in tests for artificial sweetener Sucralose, taking place at HLS. A total of 12,800 animals were butchered to death in the course of the experiments which involved amongst other things:

32 beagles at the US lab being locked up in metal cages and being given Sucralose mixed in with their feed. After 52 weeks, they were anaesthetised and their throats were slit open so that they bled to death.

Four beagle puppies at the Huntingdon lab being starved before being force-fed Sucralose through tubes.

12 baby monkeys at the Occold lab being force-fed Sucralose for seven weeks. On day two of the study two of them died from brain damage.

Rabbits dying from trauma after being given 1200 times the expected human daily intake of Sucralose.

We contacted Tate and Lyle and told them that we would target them if they did not sever all links with HLS. Within hours we received a statement from T&L in which they publicly distanced themselves from HLS and said they would never use them again.

"I am therefore able to confirm that Tate and Lyle will never use Huntingdon Life Sciences' services again".

Just one day later on 9th August the **International Molybdenum Association and the International Tungsten Industry Association** (who had both funded toxicology tests at HLS) sent in a statement vowing not to use HLS again. This came after we contacted them and made them aware of the full implications being a HLS customer have. The IMOA and the ITIA are both important customers to pull out as they are industry bodies and they represent dozens of companies all over the UK, all of whom will now not be having anything to do with HLS.

Outrage as monkeys die in lab horror

POISONED: Three marmosets had to be killed after being force-fed chemicals

EXCLUSIVE By Lucy Johnston

'It's a scandal these animals should be used for such a

SWEETENER SLAUGHTER

Dogs were killed after 52 weeks of treatment by decapitation

Sweetener that left a bitter taste

£100 LETTER THANK you, Sunday Mirror, for once again bringing to light the horrors of Huntingdon Life Sciences' so-called research.

Unfortunately the Government has gone back on its pre-election promise of having a Royal Commission into animal experimentation. Now we can see why. If a Royal Commission was ordered, someone would have to justify why 12,800 animals were killed to make a sweetener.

We as consumers and voters can make our presence felt by boycotting such products and companies. Until we do, we cannot call ourselves a nation of animal lovers.

A Johnson, address supplied

● THE Sunday Mirror produces yet more evidence that many of the experiments carried out on animals in the Huntingdon Life Sciences laboratories have nothing to do with seeking cures for cancers, alzheimer's or diabetes, as the company often claims.

It should be a legal requirement for products which have been inflicted upon lab animals to be labelled "this product has been tested on live animals" so the public can show whether or not they approve of such work.

Peter Allen, Worthing, W Sussex

● TATE & Lyle would be wrong in assuming customers want thousands of animals to be tortured and killed so humans can have a "unique sweetener". As long as it is legal to continue these cruel and unnecessary tests, consumers should boycott these products.

C Primrose, Manningtree, Essex

SWEETENER SLAUGHTER

EXCLUSIVE: Our story

Right: A selection of newspapers that covered the Tate & Lyle exposé

"I have confirmed with the Associations Executive Committee that the Association will not use the services of HLS again".

The fourth company to give HLS a permanent slap in the face was **Vector Laboratories**. They issued the following statement on 28th August:

"Vector Laboratories will never utilize Huntingdon Life Sciences for any work now or in the future".

Many other customers are terrified when we phone them up and speak to them. They ask questions like what can they do to be left alone, why are we putting them in such a difficult position and do we realise what we are doing to their industry.

HLS's client base is being slowly eroded, it is only a matter of time before the next load of customers pulls the plug on them.

Number five - Eisai?

Eisai is a multinational company with locations in the UK, US and Japan. They manufacture and market drugs, chemicals and food additives. Their name first came up as a client of HLS when they were exposed in Michelle Rokke's diaries. They killed 48 beagle puppies in tests which involved them having the test substance injected straight into their veins for several minutes every day. In order to prevent them writhing around or fighting back, the terrified animals were restrained in slings.

We tried to contact Eisai but for weeks they ignored us, when we finally got hold of them they refused to comment and put the phone down on us.

Eisai stuck two fingers up to the animals being abused at HLS on 16/8/01 when they told us *"We will not discuss our business with extremist groups."*

Just who do they think they are? We need to make an example of them and show them and other HLS customers that we will not be ignored.

FAST FACTS

The International Molybdenum Association is an industry body with dozens of member companies all over the world. Amongst other things, they co-ordinate research into Molybdenum, which is a chemical used in the manufacture of stainless steel and alloy.

The ITIA is a similar organisation that is connected to the IMOA.

Contact Eisai and demand answers!

Eisai, Shortlands, London, W6 8EE, Tel: 0208 600 1400

Eisai, UCL, Bernard Catz Building, Gower Street, London, WC1E 6BT, Tel: 0207 388 4746

Spotlight on Dow Chemicals

WHO ARE THEY?
Headquartered in Michigan, USA, The Dow Chemical Company is one of the world's most heavily criticised chemical corporations. They have customers in over 170 countries worldwide and approximately 50,000 employees.
Dow manufactures adhesives, pesticides, coolants and a whole range of other chemicals and chemical derived products.
Trashing the planet and abusing animals obviously pays well as Dow have annual sales of approximately $30 billion.
Union Carbide and Dow Agrosciences are also part of The Dow Chemical Company who have been responsible for the deaths of thousands of animals at HLS.

DIRTY DOW
Dow and their subsidiary Union Carbide are not only guilty of animal abuse, they are amongst the most hated companies in the world due to the fact that they have been the cause of countless injuries and deaths, as well as an untold amount of destruction to the planet.

Bhopal
On December 2nd 1984, 40 tons of lethal gases began spewing from Dow / Union Carbide Corporation's pesticide factory in Bhopal, India. Nobody outside the factory was warned because the safety siren was turned off. Not until the gas was upon them in their beds, searing their eyes, filling their mouths and lungs, did the communities of Bhopal know of their danger. 20,000 people were killed and today more than 120,000 people are still in need of urgent medical attention. The immediate causes of the disaster are related to a cost cutting drive initiated by Dow / Union Carbide Corporation.

Agent Orange
The chemical Agent Orange was sprayed onto fields, woodland and vegetation by US troops in the Vietnam War to destroy any hiding places for opposing troops. Dow Chemicals was one of the major manufacturers of the deadly substance. Ever since, Agent Orange has been the cause of various illnesses, and of severe birth defects such as caw feet, twisted bones, skin disorders and eyes without pupils.

THE HLS CONNECTION
Thousands of animals have been blinded, slowly poisoned and have died in absolute agony at HLS because of Dow Chemicals. Dow was exposed as a customer of HLS in the diaries of Michelle Rokke, the following extracts relate to Dow and are from the diaries of Michelle Rokke:
4/1/1997
"Obbed (observed) 2484. The rats have nothing to do all day in their barren cages but eat the poisoned food and sit on the cold metal wires."
30 /3/1997
"I went to F-wing to see the rabbits. In room 550, there are rabbits with collars and shaved patches. A couple of the rabbits had scabs in the shaved area where the test material had been."
More recently Dow have funded a number of skin and eye irritancy tests on rats and rabbits at HLS. The chemicals caused the animals to experience the following: severe irritation and damage to eyes including loss of vision, irritation of skin, de-fatting, nausea, vomiting, skin tumours, ulcerations and effects comparable to that of a first degree burn. Imagine the suffering, misery and sheer agony the animals abused at HLS went through to find that out.

DOW HAMMERED
Ever since their massive involvement with HLS came to light, Dow have been subjected to demos, site invasions, phone and fax blockades, home visits on directors, leafleting campaigns and other actions. Their sites have been repeatedly forced to almost grind to a halt for the day and their offices have been stormed. Their offices in Hertfordshire were recently gate crashed after an activist posing as a motorbike courier got them to open the door. A dozen activists then stormed the building creating havoc. Their sites in Europe have also been demo'd, stormed and information has been leaked out.
The 16th of August saw the second national day of action against Dow which involved every single one of their UK sites facing a demo as well as their phone lines being jammed up.

Dow will continue to be hammered until they dump HLS and vow never to use them again.

Call Dow on Freephone 0800 689 88 99 and write to them at Dow Chemical Company, 2 Heathrow Boulevard, 284 Bath Road, West Drayton, Middlesex, UB7 0DQ.

Partcipate in the day of action against Dow on 8th October. For more details see the diary dates. Contact us for Dow leaflets to distribute in your neighbourhood.

NEWS FROM SHAC USA

Editorial

Victories, new campaign tactics, overwhelming enthusiasm nationally, and a pathetic HLS backlash: there is never a dull moment in the SHAC-USA campaign. Seven days a week, 15 hours a day, the SHAC office is open to handle press inquires, merchandise orders, and aids in the coordination of demonstrations across the US.

Energy couldn't be higher. The victories in this campaign so far have breathed new life into the US animal rights movement and strengthened everyone's resolve to see this campaign through until its victorious end!

Letters have been pouring in from companies stating they will never place contracts at HLS, shareholders dumping their bloody investment, and the last three market makers targeted in the US have all pulled out. SHAC is on the path to victory and everyone stateside is eager to get on board. No amount of lawsuits (we are on the seventh currently) or police and state repression will deter us. Smashing HLS has become America's favorite pastime!

SHAC-USA SPEAKING TOUR!

This summer SHAC has taken the 'smash HLS' message from coast to coast during our national speaking tour. Stops were made all over the USA for this first tour, encouraging and inspiring activists to double their efforts locally to shut down HLS. The SHAC speaking tour will continue until every city and every person in this country is aware of HLS and is actively engaged in the battle to close down this nightmarish place!

JULY 13 - REGIONAL DEMONSTRATION AGAINST HLS!

On July 13th, 100 plus activists from across the east coast participated in the regional demonstrations against HLS. Copying a commonly used UK demonstration strategy for the first time in the US, groups were redirected on route to hit various HLS related targets. Over 20 of HLS's customers and financiers had demonstrations outside and inside of their offices, as noisy and angry protestors equipped with megaphones, whistles, signs and leaflets laid siege. The Bank of New York, Morgan Stanley Dean Whitter, Novartis, Bristol Myers Squibb, and Schering-Plough were a few of the big name targets that were called on for their support of animal torture.

After each group hit a series of three to four targets, all the protestors converged upon the lab in shifts of 50. HLS had an injunction granted that limits protests to 50 at a time. Afterwards, the protestors regrouped and staged a 'colorful' home demonstration. The home of Cathy Brower, head of Human Resources at HLS, saw over 75 protestors surround it and before long red paint was splattered over her front door. An overzealous police force grabbed the first 21 people they could get their hands on and charged them with violating an injunction that did not apply to the home. The extensive press coverage was damning for HLS and the obviously biased police. This first regional demonstration was a huge success and everyone is eager for the next chance to let HLS workers and supporters have it!

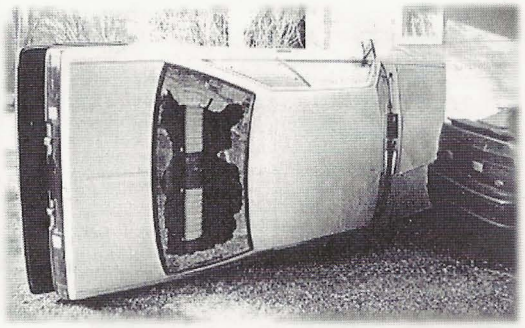
SHAC AND PCRM ATTACK HLS RESEARCH!

SHAC and the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine (PCRM) have co-authored a letter to all of HLS's known and suspected customers attacking HLS's research methods and results. Supporting the letters are doctors' critiques of HLS's own published research studies, wherein they point out the inherent flaws in the use of animals for research. The PCRM is a respected US group consisting of doctors and researchers who are opposed to vivisection on scientific reasons. The letters to all of HLS's customers encourage representatives to engage in dialogue with PCRM and SHAC as to ways to sever their ties with HLS and safely and humanely test their products, without the use of animals.

STEPHENS AND BNY FEELING THE HEAT FROM COAST TO COAST!

Every week sees several demonstrations, phone blockades, e-mail sieges, and office disruptions at national branches of Stephens Inc. and the Bank of New York. The reaction from the two companies has been nothing short of panic.

The campaign against Stephens has been taken to another level as activists nationally are now targeting the Bank of America. Stephens Inc. provides to the Bank of America mutual fund legal consultation, state reporting, research, management, and sales of mutual fund programs. In return the Bank provides Stephens Inc. with office space, resources, employees, and customers. This business relationship is one of the most lucrative to Stephens and SHAC-USA activists are determined to ruin it as long as they are connected to HLS. This new element of the campaign brings HLS campaign back to the high streets and has been getting loads of press attention. Visit www.bankofamericakills.com to find out more information.



Right:
Flipped car! The remnants of a home demo in the USA.

Left:
Demonstrators make themselves heard outside the home of a director of BNY.

Word is that Stephens is feeling so threatened and nervous about internal dissent that they have put a huge pro-vivisection propaganda poster in their employee area and have blocked all access through their internet system to any SHAC related web sites!

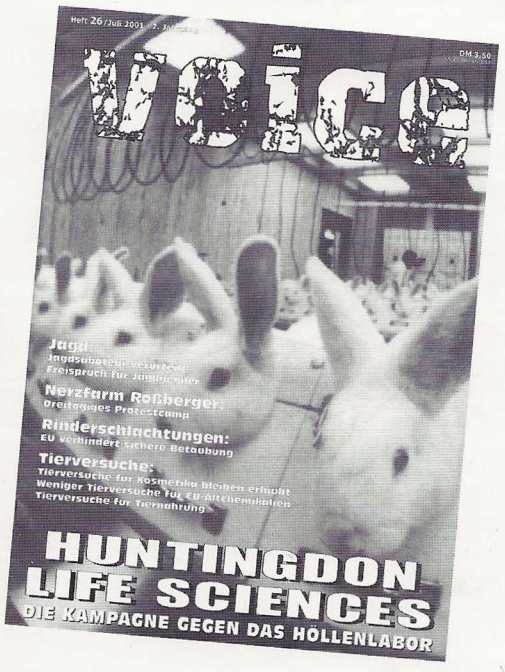
SHAC USA has begun preparations for one of most significant demonstrations in the history of the US animal rights movement.

The weekend of October 27-29 will see hundreds of SHAC supporters from across the US descend upon Little Rock, Arkansas where Stephens is headquartered. Visit www.october29.org for more information.

Pirates for Animal Liberation
On July 24th Pirates for Animal Liberation played a part in the fight against the BNY by sinking the President of Capital Markets' yacht. See p.7 for more details.

Several other direct action attacks have been reported to SHAC. Some of the most innovative have been computer attacks. SHAC-USA has been told that HLS and their allies (Stephens, BNY, Yamanouchi, and various other shareholders and market makers) have at points received up to 15,000 e-mails a day. Also, learned through the RICO lawsuit filed against SHAC, HLS and Stephens have been receiving computer viruses and constant threats. Apparently, several workers are facing extreme stress as a result and can barely do their work! Ah, shame.

SHAC around the world



The support towards the SHAC campaign in the past six weeks has been immense. Emails have been flooding in from activists around the world who have visited our website and want to know how they can help close down HLS. Many groups are about to start, or have already started, demonstrations against customers of HLS and many have committed themselves to taking part in the international day of action against HLS on 29th October. Some of the countries getting involved are:

In Berlin they are having regular demonstrations against Aventis. Activists the other side of Germany are planning on having demos at Dow and Pharmacia in Dusseldorf and Dow in the next few months. These demos have been inspired by a six page article in the German animal rights magazine Voice.

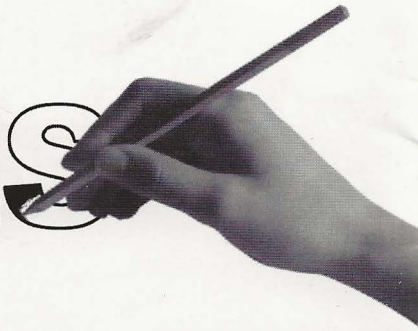
After the first European tour a few months ago, when British activists ran into Bayer, a German paper in Cologne printed the following article:

Security Measures - Militant animal welfare activists are on their way
A certain nervousness exists in the Bayer plant in Leverkusen because something bad seems to be coming from England for the firm. Security measures were implemented accordingly. Extremely militant animal welfarists have formed themselves to attack not only Bayer, but also other firms that conduct animal experiments. They don't do that in the formerly known method of demonstrating in front of the gates of the firms. They force their way into the firm's rooms, destroy documents and liberate the animals. There are men and women in the troop. A few of them were arrested at a recent attack against the Bayer plant in Wuppertal. They were questioned by the police, the facts and the personal data were taken and then they were released on bail. The militant animal welfarists from the island have divided themselves in two groups to become active in France and in Germany. As experience out of German wide attacks shows, the English "Germany-group" does their raids during daytime and during night time. In England the group has been active for several years and is known to the authorities. That they have now shifted their activity field onto France and Germany is a new dimension for the investigators and of course for the targeted firms in Germany. The Bayer plant has instructed their workers on higher security measures and has implemented measures accordingly. Nonetheless a big nervousness exists.

Belgium
Activists in Belgium are planning on joining demos in Germany and Holland.
Holland
Dutch activists are planning on starting actions against Yamanouchi and Shell who both have headquarters there.

Activists from **Switzerland**, **New Zealand**, **Argentina** and **Australia** have all been advised on what companies they should target and are planning on participating in the 29th October worldwide demonstration.

DIARY DATES



September

Wednesday 12th	City Demo, 11am at Liverpool Street Station (Bishopsgate exit)
Saturday 15th	Local demo at noon at HLS' Occold lab, off the B1077. Tel: 07939 45 88 46
Monday 17th	Demos at Yamanouchi sites at 3pm: Yamanouchi Research Institute, Littlemore, Oxford and Yamanouchi, West Byfleet, Surrey. *Phone blockade: 01865 747 100*
Thursday 20th	National Shell Depot Day (The depots are listed on the enclosed insert) & *Phone Blockade of Shell London: 0207 934 1234*
Friday 21st	Demo to highlight theHLS xenotransplantation scandal by Uncaged. Meet 12 noon at Parliament Square.
Sunday 23rd	Regional day of action against customers and shareholders. 11am - Heston services, on the M4, Westbound. (These serviced are inside the M25)
Friday 28th	Phone blockade of Shell Manchester – 0161 499 4000
Sunday 30th	Demonstrate at your local Shell garages.

October

Friday 5th	Phone blockade of Shell - tel: 0800 731 8888.
Saturday 6th	**National march and rally** against HLS customer Glaxo Smithkline. 12 noon - Fairlands Valley Park, Junction 7 off the A1.
Thursday 11th	City demo, meet at 11am, Liverpool Street Station (Bishopsgate exit)
Monday 15th	Day of action against Dow at 11am in Norfolk, Cleveland, South Wales, London, Oxfordshire and Hertfordshire. Ring SHAC on: 0845 458 0630 for directions.
Thursday 18th	Phone blockade of Shell Manchester, tel: 0800 731 1311/ 0161 499 4000
Friday 19th	Phone blockade of Shell London, tel: 0207 934 3856/0207 934 2323
Saturday 20th	Northern and Southern regional Shell demo, meet at 11am Northern meeting point: Knutsford services: on the M6 Northbound. Southern meeting point: Clacket Lane services on the M25 Westbound (the side going towards the M20 and Dover)
Saturday 27th	Demonstrate at your local Shell garage. (Contact us for details of your local animal rights group)
Monday 29th	**International day of action against HLS**. 12 noon at Toddington service, Southbound, M1(near Luton, Beds) for a mobile demo. Please remember to let us know what your mobile numbers are for the day.

The phone blockades listed on the same days as demos are for people who cannot make it to the demonstration.

Order form

All merchandise is free unless stated otherwise but if you can make a donation towards the costs we would be extremely grateful. Thanks

	Quantity		Quantity
HLS Leaflet		Shell Leaflets: Fluffy Dog ❑ Fluffy Cat ❑ Gory Dog ❑ Gory Cat ❑	
HLS A2 Poster		Shell A2 Poster	
HLS Factsheet		Shell Phone Stickers: Cat ❑ Dog ❑ Monkey ❑	
HLS Petition		Shell T-Shirt s ❑ m ❑ l ❑ xl ❑ **£5**	
'HLS Kills People' A2 Poster		T-Shirt 1 Grey s ❑ m ❑ l ❑ xl ❑ **£5**	
'HLS Kills People' A3 Poster		T-Shirt 1 Black s ❑ m ❑ l ❑ xl ❑ **£5**	
Scientific Leaflet		T-Shirt 2 Black s ❑ m ❑ l ❑ xl ❑ **£5**	
Shareholder Poster - for displaying in and around shareholder's streets		Hooded Tops (design as t-shirt 1) **£15**	
Videos - HLS The Truth (Short ❑ or Long ❑)		Vivisection Unveiled Book **£4**	
Video - Countryside Undercover		**Donation**	
Video - 'Time for action'			
Bank of New York Leaflet			
Customer Leaflets: Dow ❑ Yamanouchi ❑)			
Demo Poster			
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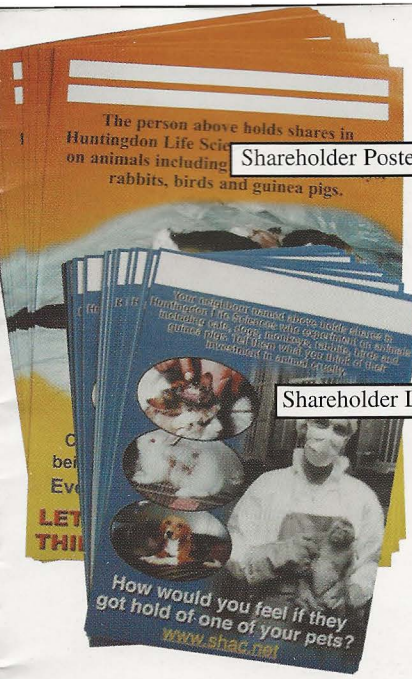

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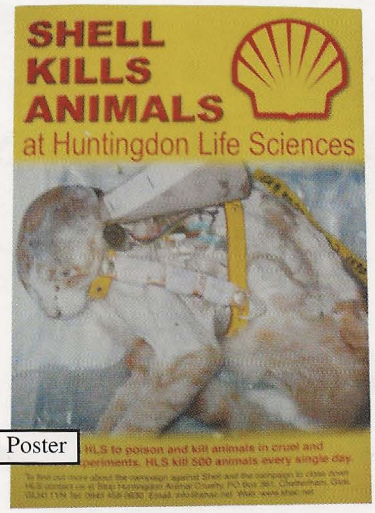
Shareholder Leaflet



Shell A2 Poster

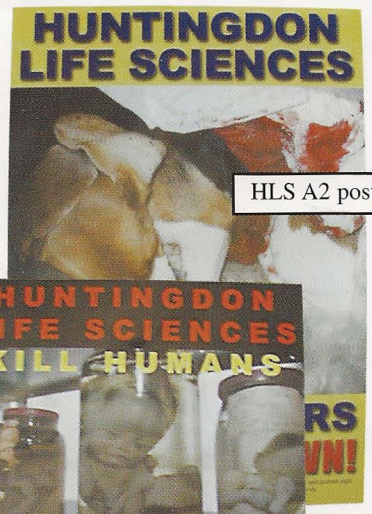
Shell Fluffy Cat Leaflet

Shell Gory Cat Leaflet

Shell Gory Dog Leaflet

Shell Fluffy Dog Leaflet

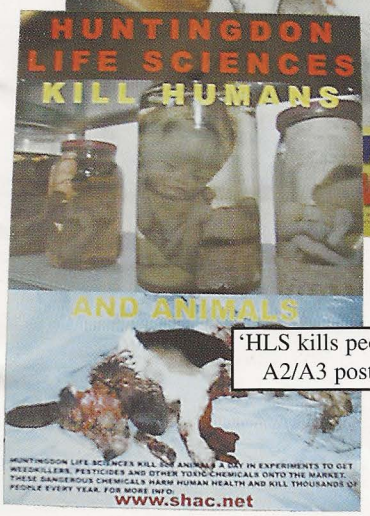
Shell Sticker



HLS A2 poster

HLS Leaflet

Customer Leaflet



'HLS kills people' A2/A3 poster

BNY Leaflet

Scientific Leaflet

Video

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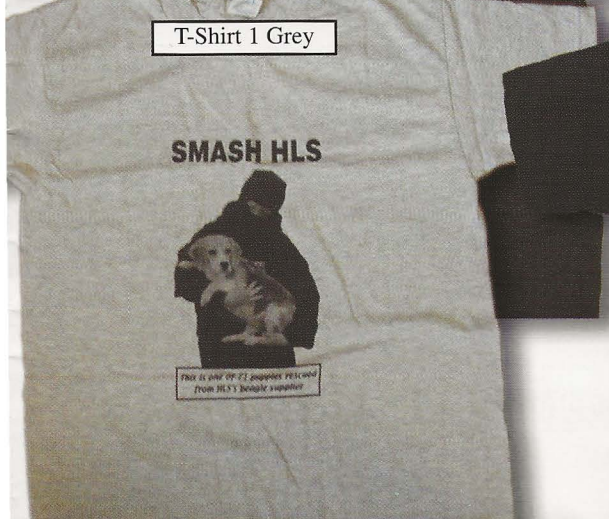
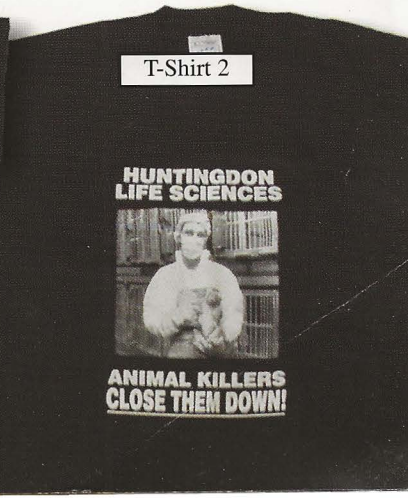


T-Shirt 1 Grey

Shell T-Shirt



T-Shirt 2

29th October 2001

International day of action against HLS

Meet at 12 noon at Toddington services, Southbound on the M1 for a mobile demo.
Please keep this day free to join hundreds of people around the world in closing down HLS.